

**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re the Application of

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For: HEAT-ASSISTED MAGNETIC RECORDING HEAD AND HEAT-ASSISTED  
MAGNETIC RECORDING APPARATUS

**CLAIM FOR PRIORITY**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The benefit of the filing dates of the following prior foreign applications filed in the following foreign country(ies) is hereby requested for the above-identified patent application and the priority provided in 35 U.S.C. §119 is hereby claimed:

Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-041527 filed on February 19, 2003

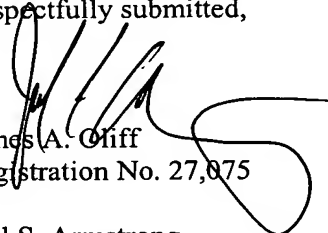
Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-042327 filed on February 20, 2003

In support of this claim, certified copies of said original foreign applications:

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It is requested that the file of this application be marked to indicate that the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §119 have been fulfilled and that the Patent and Trademark Office kindly acknowledge receipt of these documents.

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